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**U.S. Rep. Brad Miller Receives Humanitarian Leadership Award from Habitat for Humanity**

Washington, D.C. – At a ceremony in Washington, **Rep. Brad Miller** received the Humanitarian Leadership Award from Habitat for Humanity, a national award presented to those who have made lifetime contributions to building hope for a world where everyone has a place to live. The Congressman was honored for his work on the Shelter, Land and Urban Management Assistance Act (SLUM).

In June, the Congressman reintroduced the SLUM Act to raise awareness of the importance of rapid urbanization and slum conditions in the developing world which can pose a threat to the security and stability of developing countries, and thus to the United States. It would reinvigorate programs that increase access to tenure security, basic shelter, and urban services and infrastructure. The bill would also help promote the growth of functional housing markets and support reforms to enhance the rights and access to shelter for those disproportionately discriminated against, including women, children and the urban poor.

"I appreciate this award and remain committed to the issue of shelter and urbanization

becoming part of the discussion of foreign aid reform," **Rep. Miller** said. "The U.S. should remain an international leader in promoting policies and investments that improve the lives of millions of slum dwellers. In recent years, the capacity within our civilian agencies to address urban development challenges has diminished significantly."

Miller received the humanitarian award at a banquet in Washington hosted by television's Katie Couric.

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